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In re Patent Application of:
Kazuhiko Miura et al.

Application No.: 10/721,411

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Art Unit: 2121

For: MULTIPLEXING CONTROL SYSTEM AND
MULTIPLEXING METHOD THEREFOR

Examiner: Thomas K. Pham

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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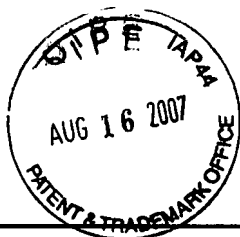
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